ing trains between Delhi and Guwahati in comparison to other Superfast trains connecting Delhi with other, State capitals; and

(b) if so, by when the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA)- (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Functioning of IITs in the country

891. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRA-VARTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have appointed a committee to review the functioning Of the UTs in the country and whether the Review Committee submitted its report in December 1986;

(b) if so, whether Government have' .examined the recommendations of the Review Committee; and

(c) if so, whether the recommendations are in the process of implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT {SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) *to (c) The* . Committee appointed by the President • of India in his capacity as the Visitor of UTs to review the work and progress of these Institutes, submitted its report to the Visitor in February, 1987. Necessary action is in progress to process its recommendations.

Selection of Indian table tennis team for Seoul Olympics'

892. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRA VARTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleaesd~to state:

(a) what are the criteria adopted for the selection of Indian Table Tennis Players both men and women, for the forthcoming Seoul Olympics;

(b) whether it is a fact that a separate criterion was adoption f°r the selection of female table tennis players for Seoul Olympics; and

(c) if not, how was Miss Monalist Baruah, who was India's No. 1 in 1986, ai No. 2 in 1987 was denied a chance to qualify herself in the selection matches for the Seoul Olympics?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND: CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA); (a) to (c) As per information supplied by the Table Tennis Federation of India, the Federation has adotped the criteria laid down by the International Table Tennis Federation for the Olympic Qualifyng Tournament for the -Vsian Zone. According *to* this criteria, every Association is allowed to enter upto a maximum of 3 men and 2 women players for the Qualifying Tournament. However, only 2 men and one women players can be selected from each Association.

No separate criteria has been prescribed for women players.

Miss Monalisa Barua was India's No. 5 in 1986 and No. 2 in 1967. The Selection Committee of the Table Tennis Federation of India claim that they took into consideration not only the rankings but also the potentialities of the players for the future. The Selection Committee, therefore, selected the following two players;—

1. Miss. Niyati Roy, National Champion in 1987 and India No. 1 in 1986 and 1987.

2. Miss Varsha Chulani, National Champion in 1986 and India No. 2 in 1986.

Miss Niyati Roy defeated Miss. Varsha Chulani in the Qualifying Round and' thus qualified to participate in the Olympics.